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Moore et al. 10/007,257

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of 1 months to respond to the Office	:e
	Action dated December 18, 2002.	

- 2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
- Calculation of extension fee  $(37 \text{ C.F.R. } \S 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5))$ : 3.

	Total Months	Fee For Other	Fee for
	Requested	Than Small Entity	Small Entity
$\boxtimes$	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
	two months	\$410.00	\$205.00
	three months	\$930.00	\$465.00
	four months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
	five months*	\$1,970.00	\$985.00

<sup>\*</sup>Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory

limit for response to an Official Action.

Fee Enclosed \$110.00

Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any additional X extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

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